

The Pocahontas Times.

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Democratic Nominees

POCAHONTAS COUNTY.

For County Clerk

S. L. BROWN.

For Circuit Clerk

J. H. PATTERSON.

For Superintendent of Schools

J. B. GRIMES

For House of Delegates

DR. J. P. MOOMAU.

For Commissioner County Court

DR. JOHN LIGON.

For State Senate

R. F. KIDD

Of Glenville, W. Va.

For Congress

J. H. MILLER

Hinton, W. Va.

DEFACTING MAIL BOXES.

We received last week, too late for publication, a communication from a citizen of the Hills community, pertaining to the work of some vandal who is tearing down and defacing the mail boxes along the free delivery route which has lately been established. We fully intended publishing this letter, but it has been unavoidably mislaid. A large community is greatly benefited by the free delivery, but it took some work to get it established, creating a good deal of feeling, and some cowardly person is venting his spite in this way. There is considerable evidence as to the guilty person's identity, and should he continue in his underhand business steps will be taken toward his arrest and conviction. This defacing and destruction of mail boxes is a violation of the United States postal laws, and the penalty is a heavy fine or imprisonment.

The following is the text of the statute passed by Congress in regard to boxes placed along the free delivery routes: "Whoever shall hereafter wilfully injure, tear down, or destroy any letter box or receptacle established by order of the Postmaster General for the receipt or delivery of mail matter on any rural route, or shall wilfully break open same, or shall destroy any mail matter deposited thereon, shall for every offense be punished by a fine of not more than \$1000.00, or by imprisonment for not more than five years."

Greenbrier & Gauley River Railway.

For the past three weeks a corps of civil engineers from Johnstown, Pa., have been working on a railroad up Stamping Creek. They are headed by S. G. Fetterman the learning engineer of Johnstown, and assisted by H. C. Howard and L. T. Rager. The road leaves the Greenbrier Branch of the C. and O. near the bridge on the Sarah Clendennin place, and follows the creek to the Nottingham Run, eight miles, thence back along Cranberry Mountain a mile to the top of the mountain.

Frank Gladwell of Seebert and Charles Vaughn of the mountain are also assisting on the corps. The engineers expect to remain about two weeks. Before leaving Mr. Fetterman will look over the mountain to find a suitable crossing to Williams River, so that should a connection ever be desirable it could easily be made. The corps has been stopping at the Millpoint hotel and at E. F. Nottingham's at the foot of the mountain.

Mr. Fetterman has been working for the "Greenbrier and Gauley River Railroad Company," and expects in the near future to make connection with the latter river. The work, so far as it has progressed is very pleasing to all parties concerned.

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R. of E. Financial Statement

This settlement made July 2d, 1902, by Samuel Sheets, Deputy, for E. N. Moore, S. P. C., with B. of E. Greenbrier District.

Teacher's Fund.

To amount charged to Sheriff,

\$452.41.

By amount credited, \$318.99.

To amount due to date, \$703.42.

Building Fund.

To amount charged \$71.21.

By amount credited, \$157.57.

To amount due to date, \$803.54.

A true copy.

J. H. CURRY, Secretary.

TO CONTRACTORS

On Saturday, August 2nd, 1902, the board of education of Edray District will let to contract the erection of two school houses, one to be built at Linnwood and the other at Brady, to be paid for out of the levy of 1902, and to be completed on or before the 1st day of November, next. Sealed bids, accompanied with a bond of double the amount of bid, for either or both, will be received up to 12 o'clock on that day, at their office in the clerk's office of the Circuit Court, where specifications may be seen.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

By order of the Board.

Detailed information can be had

C. M. Neff, depot agent is away on a vacation. On his return he will occupy the house recently vacated by S. B. Scott, Jr.

REUNION DAY

Here's the place on Valley Mountain

Where the soldiers camped (in grey).

We are here to pay our tribute

The unveiling is to-day.

(Chorus.)

They shall sleep, but not forever,

They will wake at early dawn,

And they'll join the marching army

On that great reunion morn.

As we now unveil the marble,

Will you in your thoughts draw

O'er the graves of these our comrades

Drop a reminiscent tear.

Now the weapons once they wielded

Are forever laid aside,

They were loyal to their country,

They were faithful till they died.

When they left their homes and

loved ones

For the strife of the campaign

Least expecting as they parted

That they ne'er should meet

again.

On this mountain they are sleeping,

Angels may their vigils keep,

While the sons are "Sons of Veterans."

Still the widows lonely weep.

When the general moved his army

From this mountain you can see

Many soldiers left behind him,

While the remnant followed Lee

Now, my comrades, be ye faithful,

For we have not long to stay,

And we hope to meet you yonder,

On that great Reunion Day.

JAMES W. JACKSON.

Slaty Fork, W. Va.

A BIG BASS.

There is a new pool in town. At the pier of the railroad bridge near the mouth of Knapps Creek where the water was formerly but a few inches deep, it is now from six to eight feet. It is a favorite bathing place for the boys of the town.

They get back in the bushes and put on bathing suits, as demanded by the effete population of Marlinton, and disport themselves in the pool. They become very expert bridge jumpers, as the climb the pier and dive from the top of it.

They are fast working up in the height of the jump, and will soon dive from the track, and if winter does not come too soon according to the progress they have been making they will be jumping from the top of the arch, some forty feet or so.

A big bass makes his home at the foot of the pier, and he has been given much attention lately. Last Tuesday evening the writer grappled with the said bass, and for the brief space of perhaps a minute played him all around the pool until the hook took loose from his mouth. We can only describe the contest as being like trying to hold a steer by the hind foot. He has been angled for by nearly every fisherman in town. We were particularly fortunate in securing a horny head about eight inches long just below the pool. The chub was caught on a crawfish, so you may know it was a pretty good sized bait. It was not hooked just right, but we have learned from long experience that a big bass will hardly ever take a bait that has been handled by the fisher, so we allowed the hook to remain in the chub as it was, and hurried to the pool just at dusk. When the chub was put in the water it swam away fresh and strong but it was instantly seized by the bass and carried to the bottom of the pool. After a time we struck, and found that there was a fish on such as you read about. He kept getting line from the reel, and got nearer and nearer to the pier. Finally he either went under the pier or around the corner, and by taking a purchase on us tore the hook loose from his mouth and escaped. "Oh, the dreary, dreary moorland, oh, the barren, barren shore." The bass still lives to tantalize many fishers of this town.

MT. ZION.

We are having plenty of rain with cool nights. Corn is growing fine.

Our Sunday school at Mount Zion moves along nicely with 30 pupils enrolled.

Austin Sharp says he wants plenty of ice in his.

We are sorry to hear that Robert Fertig is dangerously ill of typhoid fever.

Miss Birdie Weiford is staying with her sister Mrs. Della Dilley on Thorny Creek.

Ira Fitzgerald, who has been learning the blacksmith trade at John Shrader's, has graduated and will soon be ready to set up business.

Forrest Weiford of the Hillshas left for parts unknown.

Walter Grimes says he is tired of running away, and he's coming home to stay.

E. H. Dilley says the fish of the fish was never known as the fish in Greenbrier River on the 4th.

Some people say there is no place like home, but Frank Moore says here is no place like the Hills.

Prince Charles has quit the lumber camp, and is farming at home.

We are sorry to say that the singing at Cove Hill has been postponed in the absence of Reed brothers and W. H. Grimes.

Miss Ivy Shrader was visiting in the Hills on Sunday last week.

Boys, get your bells ready. A few more weddings in sight, if all signs don't fail.

WILD INDIAN.

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NOTES BY THE WAY

Collected by W. T. P. in Elk Valley, Kanawha to the Unveiling

An Obituary Poem, and a Specimen of His Verse: - News of the Hospitality of the People of Elk.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Varner of Linnwood have recently occupied their new Split Rock residence and are building up a nice cozy home. Mrs. Varner was bereaved July 13 by the death of her much loved sister, Mrs. Fannie Lee Pleasants, of Harrisonburg, Virginia, aged 39 years. Her pastor, Dr. E. P. Palmer, speaks very highly of her.

Though Mrs. Varner had done part well on the committee of arrangements for the grand dinner that was served at the unveiling, he had no heart to be present, and spent the day in solitude and ears at home.

David B. Showalter, a prominent citizen of Rockingham county, Virginia, accompanied by Mrs. Showalter, spent some days as guests of friends and relatives near Linnwood. His youngest son William is a special correspondent of the New York Journal, and makes his home in Washington City. In the times of Thomas Ritchie and John Letcher, the Showalter relationship was an influential element of the Tenth Legion Democracy.

Mr. Showalter says that Benjamin Beery is succeeding very well. Mrs. Beery is the only surviving child of the lamented Moffitt Poage, killed in the war.

Colonel Gatewood of Linnwood, is convalescing from a very critical attack of illness, brought on by being overheated. For a time his recovery was considered doubtful. To the great pleasure of the veterans he was able to organize and conduct the ceremonial exercises at the unveiling of the memorial cross on Valley Mountain.

The last issue of the Confederate Veteran has a portrait of the late Honorable Henry A. Yeager of Marlinton, accompanied by a biographical sketch.

Dr. J. H. Weymouth, of Elkins, widely known in our county as a dental surgeon, was at the monumental unveiling. He seems to have laid the forceps aside, and now plays his ready pen as correspondent of the New York and Richmond journals. He has a special taste for journalistic work, and has had the experience of an amateur correspondent for many years, and editor also. His enthusiasm for Masonry is something phenomenal, and has written a good deal in illustrating the principles the mystic tie stands for.

At Dr. Cameron's, on Valley Mountain, I was shown lines written by Patrick Kenney, a native of Ireland. He was well known to a number of our readers of Linnwood section and adjacent vicinities in Randolph and Webster counties. He had been self-exiled from Ireland on account of political reasons, and having spent his youth and early manhood in school and university with a view to some church preferment, he was thrown upon our shores without preparation for making a livelihood by any professional work, except occasional school teaching and track walking on a railway.

His first employment after being alienated from his government and the church was to act as track walker near Cameron, West Va. Then taught occasional old field schools, and then found employment as a newspaper contributor and became a Bohemian, or literary tramp. By the kindness of friends he was sent to the Presbyterian Hospital, in Baltimore, and had the benefit of Dr. Chisholm's skill, upon his eyes becoming diseased. During his convalescence from this grievous affliction he wrote much in verse, of which this is a touching specimen:

A Prayer.

Dear Jesus, fountain of love pure, Give me the patience to endure The crushing wrongs, the bitter strife

That now beset my dreary life. My cross is heavy. So was thine. The overload of sin is mine; My Calvary I daily see, It stands between me, Lord, and thee

Help me, dear Jesus, when I fall, Hear me in pity when I call, Save me from selfishness and pride And do thou, Lord, with me abide.

Turn not, O Lord, away from me I have no friend on earth but thee, No other place on which to rest, No tender mercies lovely breast.

The only mishap that occurred, so far as known to us, unveiling day, happened to Miss Virgie Hannah, daughter of Sheldon Hannah.

Near John Varner's on her return the saddle girth broke and she was thrown from her horse and dislocated her right elbow. Dr. Ligon Marshall gave the needed surgical attention, but her sufferings have been very intense up to Sunday evening.

Mrs. Nannie Jackson became very ill on the grounds, and was not able to reach her home until Monday evening.

Dr. Wm. T. Cameron is the resident physician on Valley Mountain. His home is very near the monument. General Lee's headquarters were near his residence, and the traces of the house he occupied are quite visible. The Doctor has a set of blacksmith tools, and can do his own horse-shoeing and repair his farming machinery. He built his office with his own hands. During the afternoon, July 17th, one hundred and forty-three persons came to his office for medicine and tooth pulling.

Thirty teeth were extracted, and

during the forenoon gave many prescriptions on the grounds. H. B. Sharp on Elk has fields of corn that were in tassel and silk by the fourth of July. His well-furnished and hospitable home is a noted resort for hunting and fishing parties. He was ten years old when General Lee's forces occupied Valley Mountain, and vividly remembers much that occurred. Among the Confederate soldiers were six brothers from Tennessee. Five died in a few weeks of each other, and are now in their graves, turf covered graves on Valley Mountain. Their father came and obtained leave to take the last one from the hospital and staid with him. It is not known whether he lived to get home.

BUCK, W. VA.

Dear Times:

We are still very much pleased to have your weekly visits. When you come the question with you in the family is who will get you first to get the news from your section. If by any means you are misled, we are all very anxious to know what is the matter.

Since our last writing changes have taken place, spring has gone and summer with its burning heat has come. April and May were both moderately warm and very dry. June was not so dry, but cooler for the season in this section.

The wheat is harvested and the farmers are cutting their hay. The wheat is almost an entire failure, and the hay is light. Bottom land meadows may average half a crop, but much of the upland is scarcely worth cutting. Unless the drouth that is now on cut oats and corn short, they will probably do well. There is an abundance of corn planted. Owing to the wheat failure the farmers are making an extra effort to raise corn. There is also more buckwheat than usual sown in this section. Potatoes, and indeed all the late crops promise to be good save the fruit which promised a good yield early in the season, but failed largely. Grapes have been saved by spraying them. Our gardens are unusually good.

Squire Saunders and Green Taylor, of Forest Hill, are operating with a well digger in this section, and are reported to be doing good work. They guarantee plenty of water in every case. They charge two dollars a foot, but never exceed \$15.00, however deep they may have to dig. One day last week, while digging a well on Wm. Role's farm they struck a pine log over 20 feet beneath the surface, and claim that they would rather dig through rock than pine logs or stumps, as they thought at first it might be a stump.

Rev. Wm. Ferrell has just returned from Camp Meeting, Mt. Lake Park, Md., and reports a pleasant trip and an excellent meeting.

The Greenbrier District Conference, M. E. Church, will convene at Union Chapel, Crabbottom, Va. September 3, 1902. If we go to Conference we will see the city of Marlinton once more, and perhaps give the Times office a call.

Miss Lora B. Gay spent a month in the early part of this season visiting in Greenbrier, and Miss Annie Wall accompanied her on her return home. Miss Wall, after making a visit in this section, returned to her own home near the Blue Sulphur Springs.

Mrs. Leah Hannah's friends in Pocahontas and elsewhere were pleased to learn that she is in a fair way to lift the debt on that farm she purchased last winter. Mrs. Hannah has sold her property at Rural Dale, Upshur County, and thinks she will soon dispose of her three lots in Buckhannon. This woman, as we all who know anything about her knows, that she has had a hard lot since her husband died, but the mists are clearing away and she seems to be managing her matters well and getting into a position to care for herself and children.

A. G. Tucker, a deaf mute, son-in-law of D. S. Wickline of this place, connected with the Richmond Times, is here now on a vacation. Mr. Tucker expects to return to Richmond the first of August and will move his family there in the near future. Arthur is a good fellow, a good business man also. He has got a good job at Richmond and means to look after it.

Rev. A. A. McLelland having been called full time to the Central Baptist Church, Hinton, got released from the Wolf Creek Church. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McLelland, his parents, will move from Cashmere, Monroe County, to Hinton this month. We congratulate those Hinton people in their good selection of a pastor, as well as the good people of Wolf Creek, who have called Rev. McLelland of Hinton to take Rev. McLelland's place.

Little Ray, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Williams of our town is home from the Romney school, and having his summer vacation and lightening up the home of his parents with smiles and pleasantries. Little Ray will return again to school in September. Ray is a nice little boy and is highly appreciated by all who know him. He is doing well at school.

—More Ann.

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ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

State of West Virginia, Pocahontas County, to-wit: At a rules held in the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas County, on Monday, July 7, 1902.

Bank of Marlinton (a corporation) Plaintiff.

vs. Rella F. Yeager, Sallie G. Scott, Maud L. McCandlish, W. H. Yeager, Rella F. Yeager, Admx of H. A. Yeager, deceased, The Citizens Trust and Guaranty Co., (a corporation), J. M. Cunningham, and Allie J. Yeager, trading and doing business as the Pocahontas Furniture House, Defendants.

The object of this suit is to cause the defendant to interplead and settle the ownership of a fund of \$2894.10 held by the plaintiff in trust, by testing the validity of the assignment made by H. A. Yeager before his death to Rella F. Yeager and Sallie G. Scott, of a life insurance policy, No. 107883 held by him in the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati, Ohio. This day came the plaintiff by its attorney, and on his motion and it appearing by affidavit filed that the defendant W. H. Yeager is a non resident of this State, it is ordered that he do appear here within one month after the first publication hereof and do what is necessary to protect his interest in this suit.

Teste: J. H. PATTERSON, Clerk. Andrew Price, Sol.

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE Office of Commissioner N. C. McNeil, Marlinton, W. Va., July 17, 1902.

Pursuant to a decree of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas County made in the case of C. W. Showalter's Admr vs Annie S. Woodrell and others at the June Term 1902, the undersigned Commissioner in chancery will on

Saturday, August 30, 1902 At his office in the town of Marlinton, Pocahontas County, West Virginia, proceed to take, state and report to court the following matters of account to-wit:

1st An account of the transactions of E. P. Shinnberry as administrator of C. W. Showalter, dec'd, showing any amount in his hands as such administrator. 2nd An account showing all the outstanding debts against the estate of C. W. Showalter, dec'd, with their respective priorities. 3rd Any other matter deemed pertinent by the Commissioner or required to be stated by any party in interest.

At which time and place you may attend.

N. C. McNEIL, Commissioner

NOTICE TO CREDITORS To the creditors of C. W. Showalter, deceased:

In pursuance to a decree of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas County, made in a cause therein pending to subject the real estate of the said C. W. Showalter to the payment of his debts, you are hereby required to present all claims held by you and each of you against the said C. W. Showalter or adjudication to N. C. McNeil, Commissioner, at his office in said county on or before the 30th day of August, 1902.

Witness, J. H. Patterson, Clerk of said court, this 17th day of July 1902. J. H. PATTERSON, Clerk

At a County Court continued and held for the County of Pocahontas, at the court house thereof on Wednesday the 25th day of June 1902

"It is ordered that the County Court will not pay any account or supporting or assisting any poor person who is not kept at the County Infirmary unless they are so directed by the overseer of the poor, and if the person be sick and needs aid and medical attention the overseer of the poor or some reliable person directed by said Overseer of the Poor, shall find out that such person needs such aid or medical attention and shall furnish such aid and medical attention to such poor person. All other claims for assisting poor persons outside of the Infirmary will not be allowed by this Court."

A Copy, Teste: S. L. BROWN, Clerk

STOCKHOLDERS MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that the Stockholders of the Elk Valley and Midland Railroad Company will hold their first meeting for the purpose of organization and such other proceedings as may be had at an annual meeting, and to do and perform all other business necessary and proper to be done under the laws of the stockholders meeting, on the 28th day of July, 1902, at the offices of McGraw and Post, in the town of Gratton, in the County of Taylor, State of West Virginia, at ten o'clock a. m.

The incorporators of said Railroad Company have opened books of subscription to the capital stock of said Company at the Gratton Bank, in said town, county, and State, under the direction of Chas. R. Durbin, Esq. Signed, JOHN T. MCGRAW, GEORGE W. CLINTON, C. P. DORR, JOS. FUCHS, JACOB MSHER.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that I have charge of A. M. McLaughlin Johnson Place, near Marlinton, and have been instructed to prosecute all persons caught trespassing thereon in any way, especially by picking berries and laying down fences.

G. H. McLaughlin, Marlinton, W. Va.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

THE POCAHONTAS BANK.

Located at Marlinton, in the State of West Virginia, at the close of business, July 16, 1902. Bank began business November 23, 1899.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$52408 68
Overdrafts	1325 79
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	2937 94
Other real estate owned	2000 00
Due from banks	5957 61
Checks and other cash	819 85
Reserve in Bank	3724 01
Expense	1265 45
Total	\$70439 94

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock paid in	16920 00
Surplus fund	1962 77
Undivided profits	1531 67
Due to Banks	741 73
Subject to check	45949 00
Demand certificates	3334 78
Total	70439 94

State of West Virginia, County of Pocahontas.

I, E. H. Smith, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

E. H. SMITH, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22d day of July, 1902.

J. A. SYDENSTRICKER, Notary Public.

L. M. McCLINTIC, N. C. McNEIL, LEVY GAY, Directors.

Report of the Condition of the BANK OF MARLINTON

Located at Marlinton, in the State of West Virginia, at the close of business July 16, 1902. Bank first began business June 21, 1899.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	87694 58
Overdrafts	541 08
Banking house and fixtures	16186 70</